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TO AMEMBASSY RANGOON PRIORITY

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TAGS: SNAR, BM

SUBJECT:NARCOTICS: UTILIZATION OF INC-PROVIDED AIRCRAFT

REF: A. RANGOON 2812; B. RANGOON 1972; C. STATE 137599
D. RANGOON 1927; E. STATE 132712; F. RANGOON 1808

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT REVISING AT THIS TIME TEXT OF
THE LETTER PREVIOUSLY SENT TO COL. SEIN LWIN AND PROBABLY
CIRCULATED AT HIGH GUB LEVELS WOULD ONLY RAISE ADDITIONAL
QUESTIONS ON OUR MODIFICATIONS AND WEAKEN OUR REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION ON END USE OF INC-PROVIDED EQUIPMENT.

2. WE AGREE THAT ITEMS (B) AND (C) IN LETTER TO U SHWE
THAN DO NOT SEEM ESSENTIAL TO OUR INFORMATION NEEDS. AL-
THOUGH THEY REFLECT THE EMBASSY'S TEXT AS PROPOSED IN
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REFTEL (F). IN DISCUSSING THIS REQUEST WITH BURMESE OFFI-
CIALS, EMBASSY CAN INDICATE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS OF
LOWER PRIORITY AND THUS PROVIDE THE GUB WITH SOME FLEXI-
BILITY.

3. IF ASKED WHY WE ARE MAKING THIS REQUEST AT

THIS TIME, EMBASSY CAN DRAW UPON REFTELS TO EXPLAIN HEIGHT-
ENED CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN WORLDWIDE THAT USG-PROVIDED

EQUIPMENT BE UTILIZED FULLY. WHILE WE UNDERSTAND THAT
BURMESE RANKLE AT THIS REQUEST, WE MUST KEEP IN MIND
FIRST THAT WE HAVE SOME PLAUSIBLE REPORTS OF USE OF INC-
PROVIDED EQUIPMENT IN WHAT APPEAR TO BE NON-NARCOTICS
FUNCTIONS.

4. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT EMBASSY AT ITS DISCRETION
MAY WISH ADD FOLLOWING FINAL PARAGRAPH TO THE LETTER.

BEGIN QUOTE: WE ARE ADDRESSING THIS TO YOU AS CHAIRMAN
OF YOUR GOVERNMENT'S NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD. A JULY 17
LETTER FROM THE DEIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE PEOPLE'S
POLICE FORCE IN RESPONSE TO OUR LETTER OF MAY 8 INDICATED
THIS MATTER SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO YOU. END QUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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